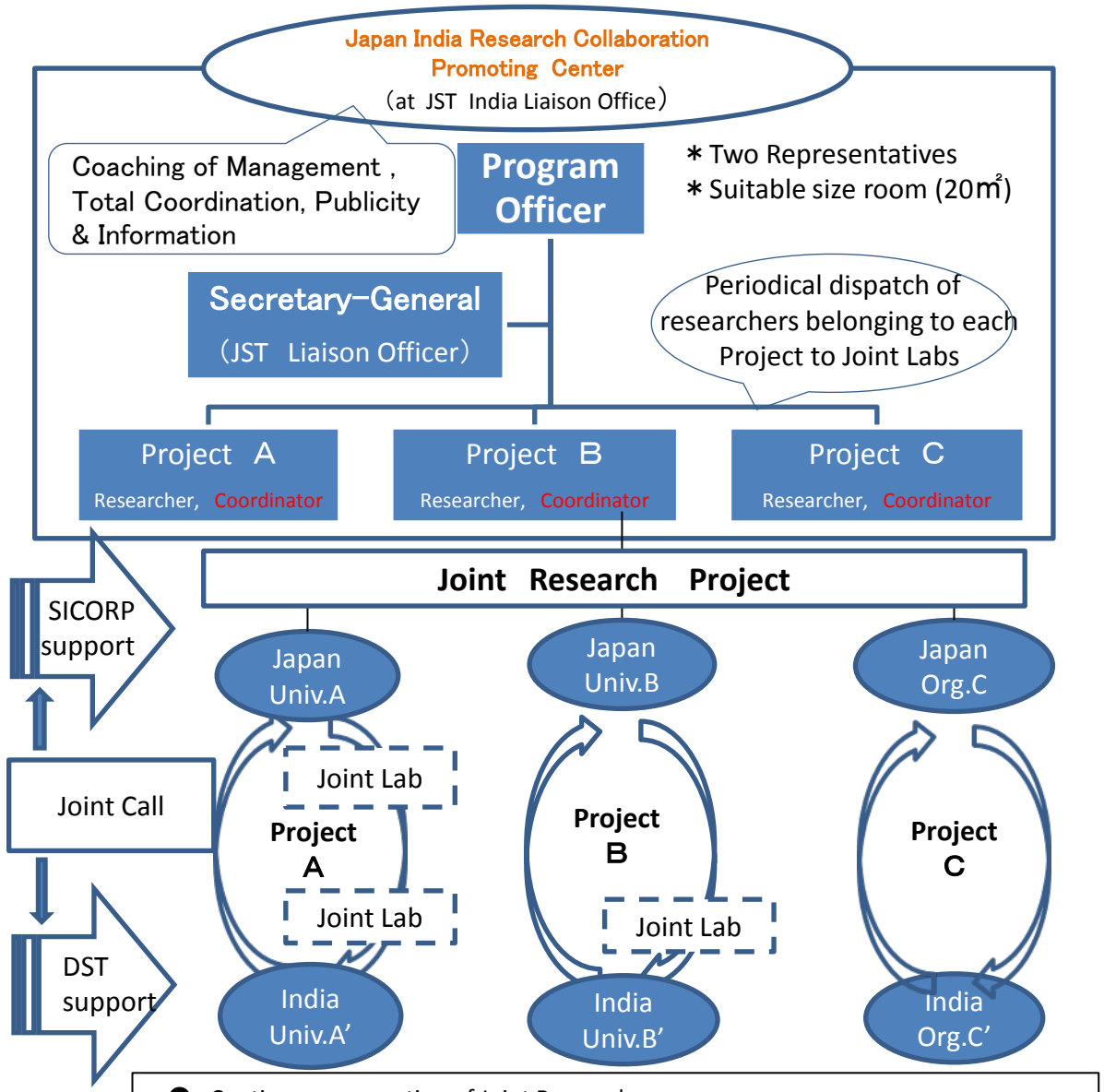


- Continuous promotion of Joint Research
- Active exchange of researchers , coordinators, students, etc. between Japan and India
- Targeting set-up of Joint Research Hubs at all research organizations related with each Project in India (Project A : Both countries establish Joint Laboratories. Project B : Indian side solely establishes a Joint Laboratory. Project C : Neither country establishes a Joint Laboratory.)

1st phase

・To launch a joint call for funding by JST and DST, and to promote the projects selected over a maximum of 5 years funding period.

・To set up a tentative Japan-India Research Collaboration Promoting Center within the JST liaison office in India. The Center, which would consist of an external expert appointed by JST as Program Officer (PO), a liaison officer as Secretary General, and/or other person(s) designated by JST and/or DST, is responsible for guidance, management, general coordination and public relations including holding fora and symposia.

【details of the joint call in the 1st phase】

1.Field : ICT including IoT (Internet of Things), AI (Artificial Intelligence) and Big Data

2.Annual budget of Japanese side: 23 million JPY per project / per year (in addition, 30% of the direct expenses will be provided to cover indirect expenses.)

3.Number of the projects to be supported: around 3 projects

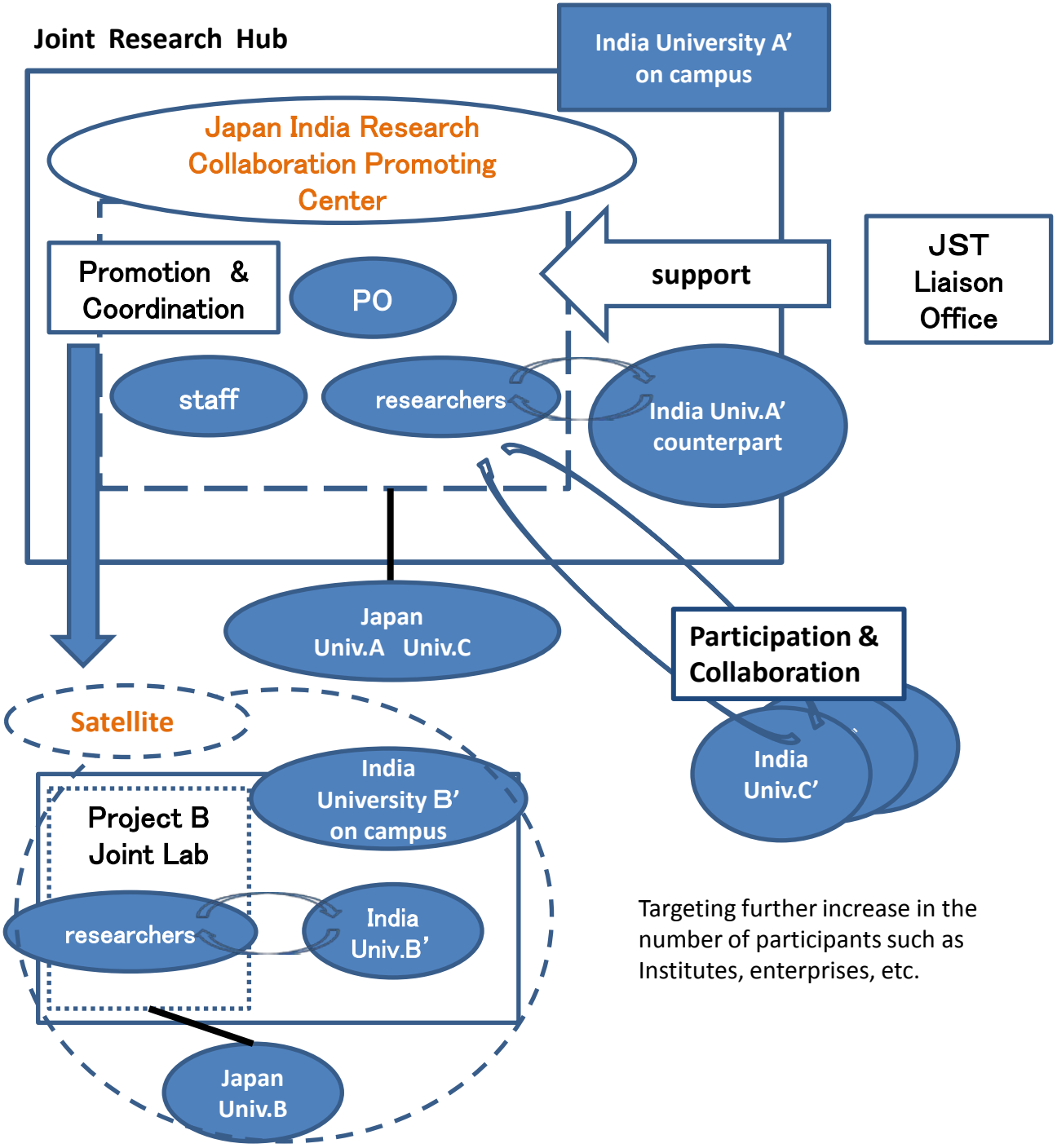
4. Funding period: a maximum of 5 years

5.Required conditions:

・Periodical dispatch of researchers and program coordinators to be stationed in Joint Laboratories advancing to a Collaborative Research Hub established in the 2nd phase

・An action plan which is in force for a maximum of 5 years, e.g. establishment of a Collaborative Research Hub between the Indian partner organization and the Japanese side

・Exchange of researchers and development/education of young researchers



Targeting further increase in the number of participants such as Institutes, enterprises, etc.

2nd phase

(the details of the 2nd phase are to be determined reflecting the 1st phase activities)

・After the end of the 5 years funding period, or even after 3 years funding period ,the only one project of sufficient quality enters the 2nd phase, subject to fund availability , and become independent from JST, taking on the functions of a Collaborative Research Hub advanced from the selected superior Joint Laboratory. Candidate Joint Laboratories will not be limited only to those projects funded in the 1st phase.